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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you. Members of the Legislature, the Senate would not agree with that. Who is surprised that people who are in the House of Representatives would not support letting them stay there four years, so to say that Congressman Bereuter and Congressman Barrett are in favor of this is really like saying we're in favor of a salary increase. It is eelf-serving which is not, in and of itself, a bad thing but it doesn't carry much weight with those who would be of a contrary opinion. I also looked at this whereas at the bottom of page 1, just above the now therefore be it resolved language. It says, whereas, a biennial election of one-half of the members of the House of Representatives would still allow the American people We all know that to express their will every two years. elections for Congress are not conducted on a nationwide basis so that the people of America do anything. These elections are conducted by district. So every two years, there are people in some districts who would be allowed to vote for a representative to the House, but in the other half of the districts, people would not have that opportunity. So, in fact, voters would have an opportunity once every four years to express their attitude toward one of these people. All those things, really to be quite frank, don't make me much difference at all. I just believe that the political parties have taken over too much of what is being done with elections at the state and the federal And as I consider this, I'm becoming less willing to support proposals that are going to come to this Legislature that give the parties more influence. Elections don't belong to the political parties, they shouldn't, but those in political parties believe that should be the case. They should set the They should make the determinations, and even our constitution, when we get to Senator Schrock's proposal, at some point, is designed to enshrine the two political parties, I'm not going to be in favor of that. I have not been a part of party politics. People don't jerk a chain on me. They don't call me and say this is the position the party is taking, and, therefore, you do this or do that because that's what the party said. And I watch people on this floor scramble. I watched some of...how my colleagues behaved when "Gentle Ben" was the Governor, and I am going to watch others of my colleagues now that "Mickey" is the Governor. They are going to follow party